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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

David D. Cox et al.

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Examiner: I. Ghali

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Group Art Unit: 1615

For : ANTIMICROBIAL ADHESIVE SYSTEM

Docket No. : 16011/103/106

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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By: Carolyn I. Erickson

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on February 12, 2007, Applicant(s) hereby elects to prosecute Group I claims (that is, Claims 1-14) drawn to an antimicrobial adhesive composition for skin contact application in the present application. Applicant withdraws Group II claims (that is, Claim 15) drawn to an antimicrobial adhesive composition not requiring an emulsion of an antimicrobial agent and the removal of excess solvent, and Group III claims (that is, Claim 16) drawn to a surgical drape comprising substrate and coating of adhesive

composition and antimicrobial agent. Applicants reserve the right to re-present these claims in one or more appropriately filed divisional applications.

Please charge any deficiencies or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 14-0620.

Respectfully submitted,

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